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Attention: Jermaine R. Hannon

Attention: Ray Sukys

Dear Mr. Hannon and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) transmits for your review and approval Amendment No. 26 to the Rural, Non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) area portion of the California 2013 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration approve this amendment for inclusion into California's 2013 FSTIP.

Amendment No. 26 to the 2013 FSTIP adds five (5) new projects in Tuolumne County totaling \$853,000 funded from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) as described in *Attachment 1, Summary of Changes and CTIPS Listing*.

This amendment was made available for public review and comment for fourteen (14) days which began on March 10 and concluded on March 24, 2014. No comments were received during the public review and comment period. The financial impact of this amendment is compatible with the anticipated revenues in the 2013 FSTIP Financial Plan and remains financially constrained as demonstrated in *Attachment 2, Financial Summary Tables*. In addition, there are no projects in this amendment that are included in any other amendment that is currently open for public review.

Based upon correspondence from FHWA dated May 27, 2008, projects in non-metropolitan isolated non-attainment areas of the State do not need to meet project conformity to be included in the FSTIP. However, such projects must comply with project level conformity requirements when a Federal action such as a National Environmental Protection Agency decision or obligation of funds, is taken on the project.

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Projects in this amendment with funding beyond the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP are included for information only. These projects are included and submitted by Caltrans through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS). In addition to being available in CTIPS, programming pages for each project are also enclosed for your ready reference.

Please note that the approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination of projects for federal funding.

If you have any questions, please contact to Lilibeth Green of my staff, at (916) 654-3521, Email: Lilibeth Green@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Chief

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